BLUE DROP

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The war with an alien ended and
the earth is occupied by them.
Apparently, people of
the earth seemed to have regained
the peaceful and quiet life.
But the life may be the prison of the
soul imitated by nostalgic scenery.

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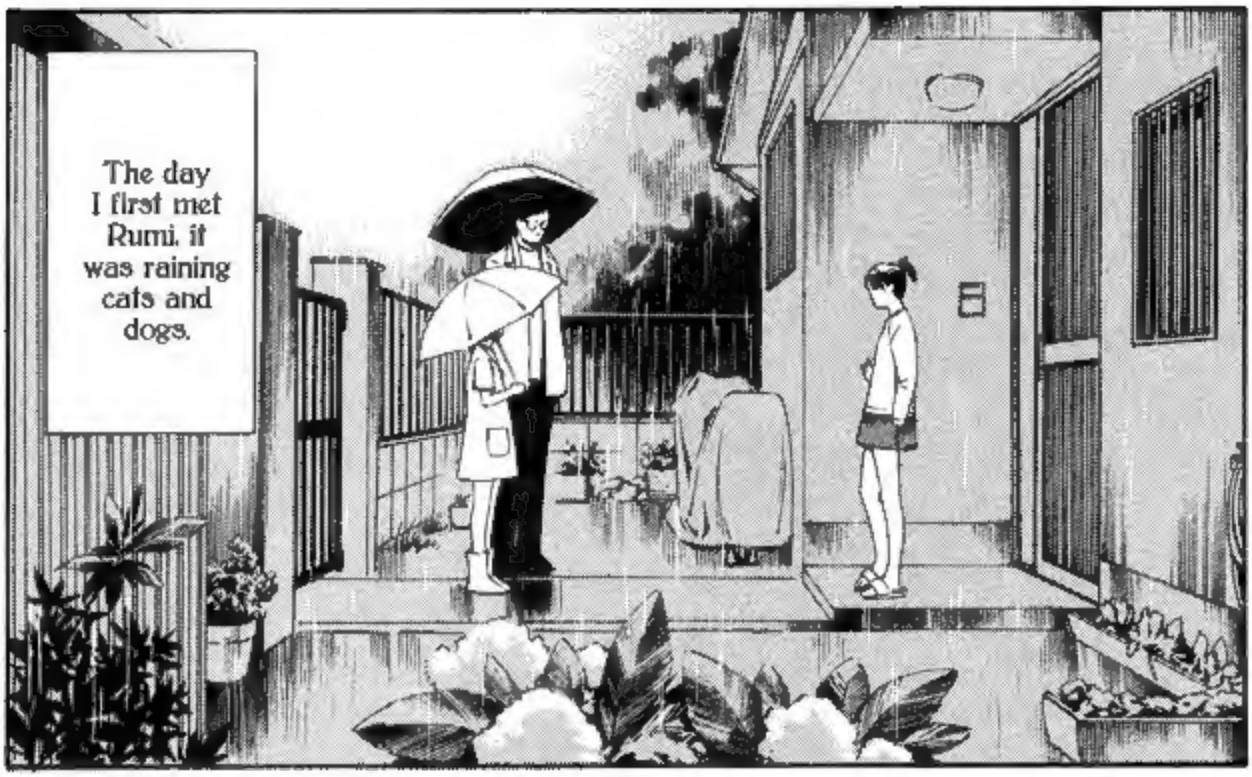
AKIHITO YOSHITOMI


The day I first met Rumi, it was raining cats and dogs.

It was as though we were sisters...
I didn't have a mother, and Rumi and I became instant friends.

My father had adopted her from some-where.
Rumi was my age, though she was smaller than me.

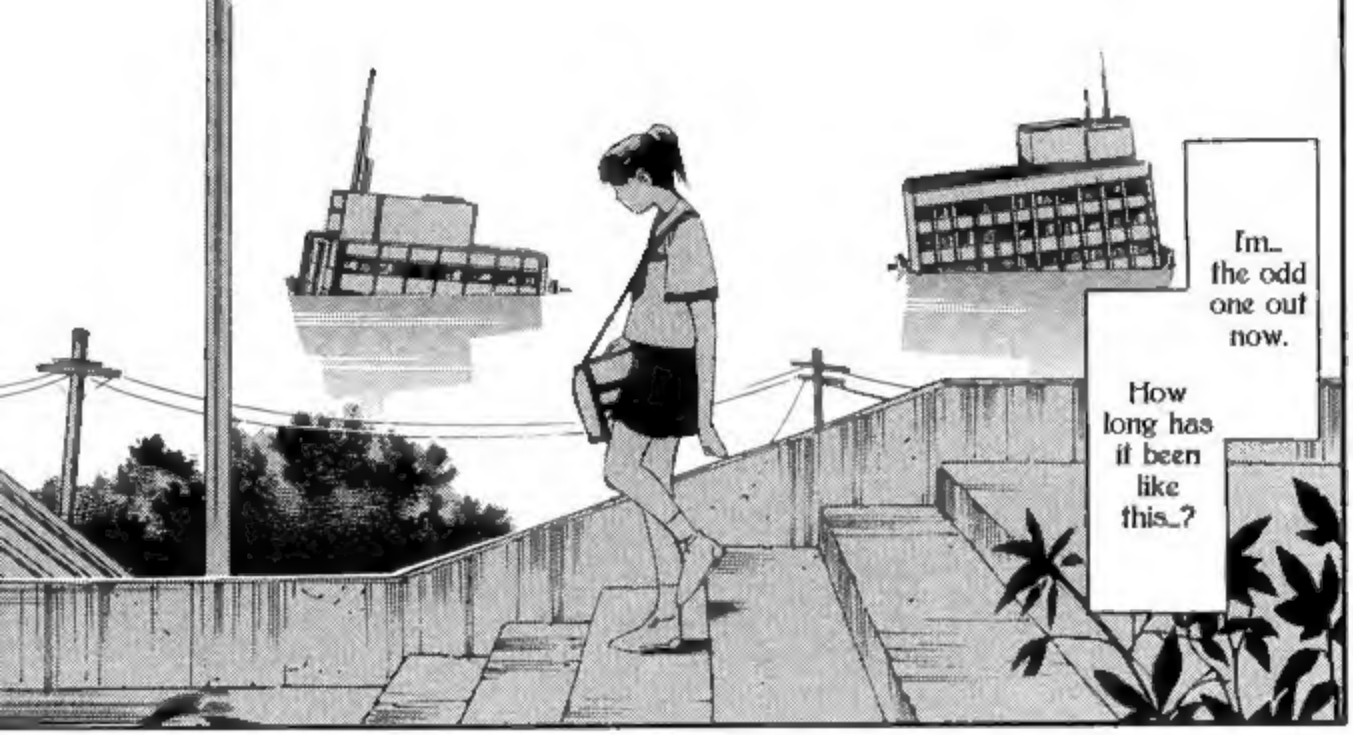
*THE WORD "KAIJIN" IS COMPOSED OF THE CHARACTER FOR "SEA" AND THE CHARACTER FOR "PERSON."

海人~KAIJIN~

One year and eleven months later.

when Rumi and I were both thirteen...

OKAY, EVERYONE BRING TWO SWEETS WITH THEM!
AHAHA!
YEAH, SURE!
HEY, RUMI!!, CAN WE COME OVER TODAY?
DUNNO...
OH... WHERE'S KIYOMI?
HEY, KIYOMI!!
Rumi's house... what the heck?
I thought... it was my house.


I'm... the odd one out now.
How long has it been like this...?

stole all of my friends from me.
Do Not Enter
Beware of Kaijin
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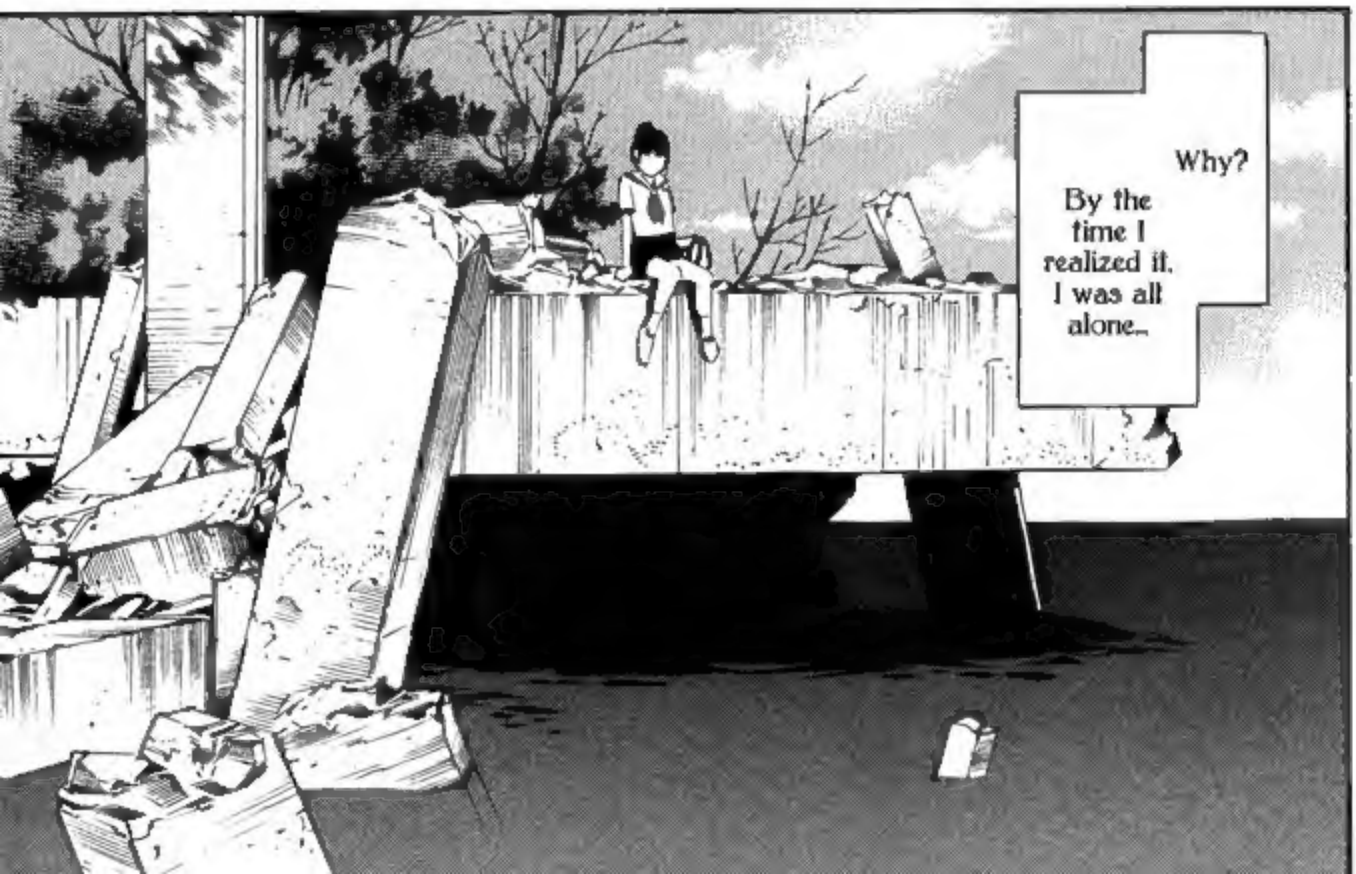
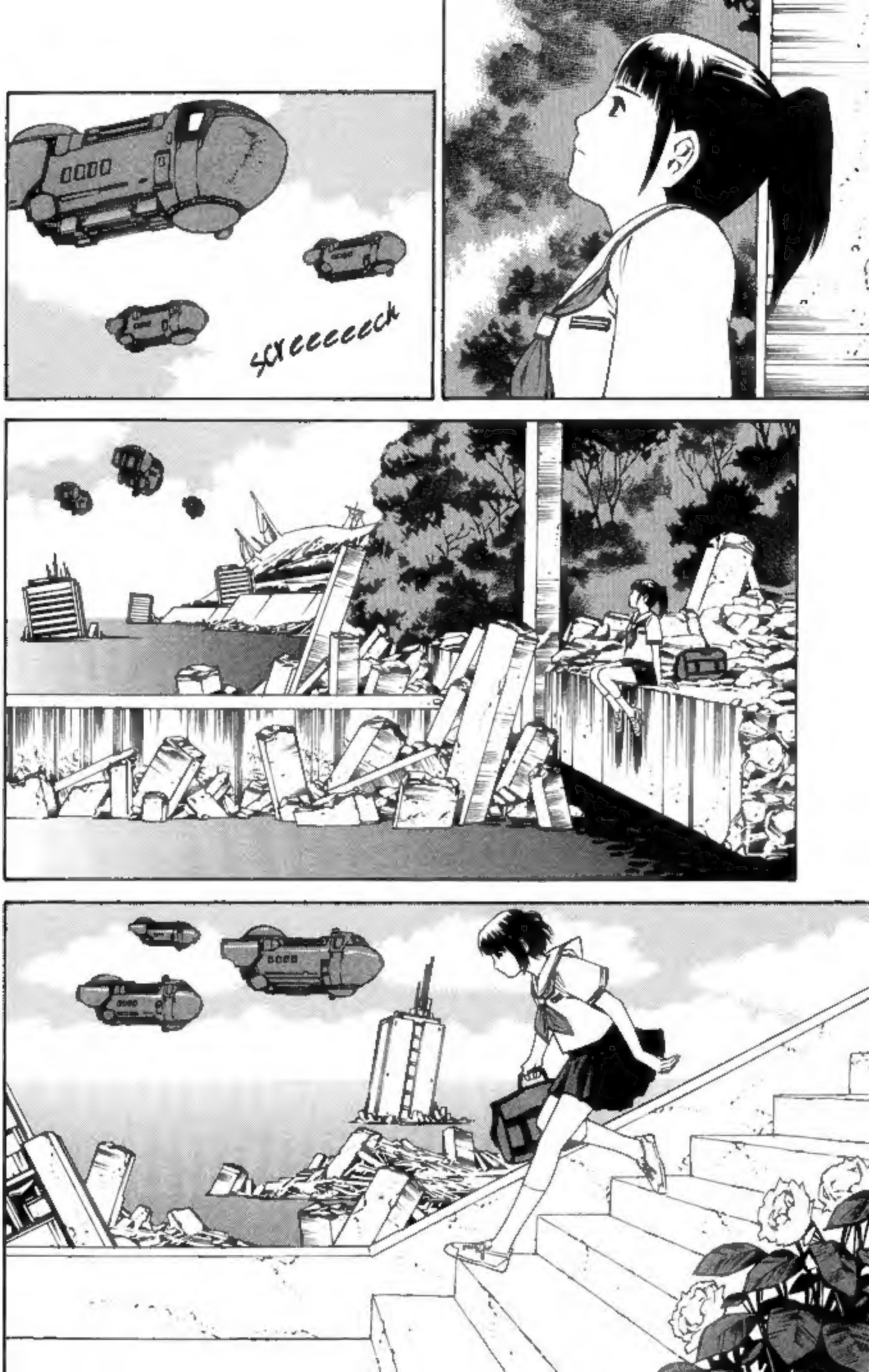
It's like Rumi...


Why?
By the time I realized it, I was all alone...


SCreeeeeeck

What is she doing here....?
RUMI...

WANT ME TO TELL YOU THE TRUTH ABOUT KAIJIN, KIYOMI?
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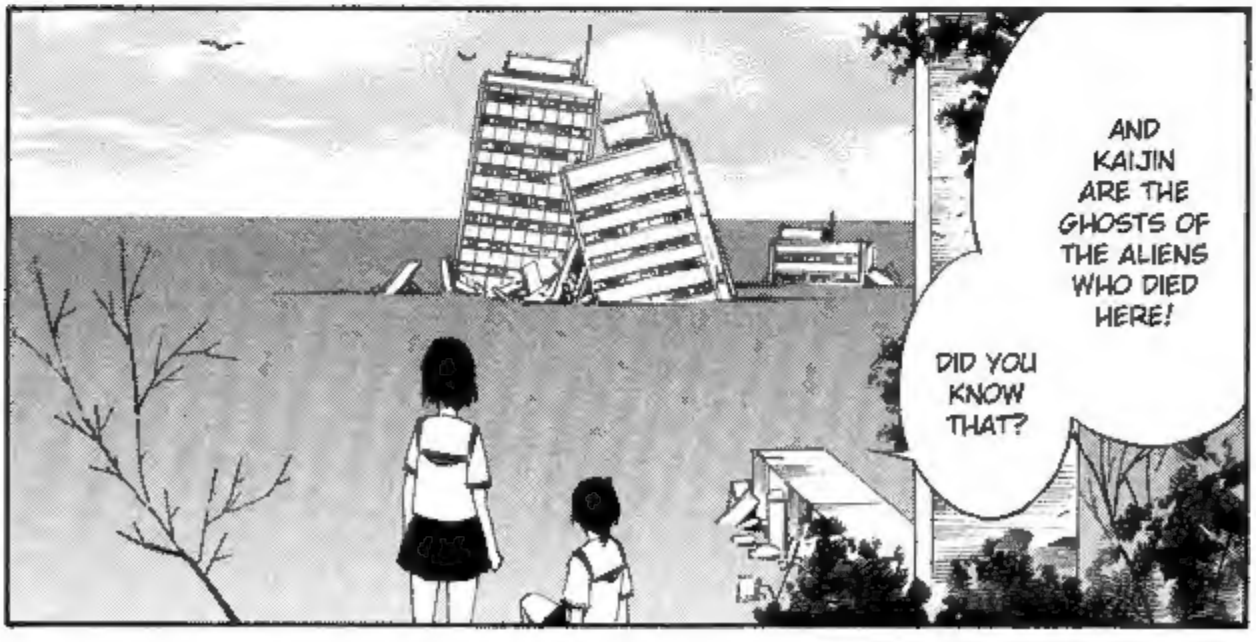
A WAR WITH ALIENS!
I HEARD THERE WAS A BIG WAR A LONG TIME AGO!


AND KAIJIN ARE THE GHOSTS OF THE ALIENS WHO DIED HERE!
DID YOU KNOW THAT?

Of course I knew that.
Everyone knows that.....

HEY... WHY AREN'T YOU SAYING ANYTHING?
DID I... DO SOME-THING?

SMACK
?!
HEY!

NOT REALLY...

AH HAHA!
SPLASH
GASP!
SPLASH
Ah...I have to get out.
or a Kaijin will get me!
RAAAH!
AHHHH!
AHAHA HAHA!
WH-... WHAT'RE YOU DOING, RUMI?!!

I'M NOT AFRAID OF KAIJIN.
DON'T WORRY, I'LL TAKE CARE OF THEM FOR YOU..

THE SEA IS SO PRETTY,
BUT WE CAN'T SWIM IN IT. WHAT A WASTE!
When Rumi's around I get completely thrown off my stride..
She's a simple, naive person and she's always in a good mood.

She's been in a particularly good mood lately— and it's immediately apparent why.
It's because she's in love.

During breaks, she and Okamoto, from our class—
are always talking about something or other—

LET'S HAVE A PARTY TO CELEBRATE, JUST THE TWO OF US,
LIKE WE DID LAST YEAR!

I wonder what she sees in an idiot like him——
PRETTY SOON, IT'LL BE. . TWO YEARS SINCE WE FIRST MET, KIYOMI.

Rumi's a simple, naive person and she's always in a good mood...
That's why everyone's drawn to her...
.KIYOMI?
WHY DON'T YOU HAVE A PARTY WITH YOUR FRIENDS INSTEAD?
HUH? WHY? WHY WOULD YOU SAY THAT?
I REALLY DID DO SOMETHING, DIDN'T I?

I know... that I'm just jealous of her...
Why am I jealous of her...?
KIYOMI?!
We were such good friends just a year ago...
KIYOMI!!
Why ...?
Why ...?!

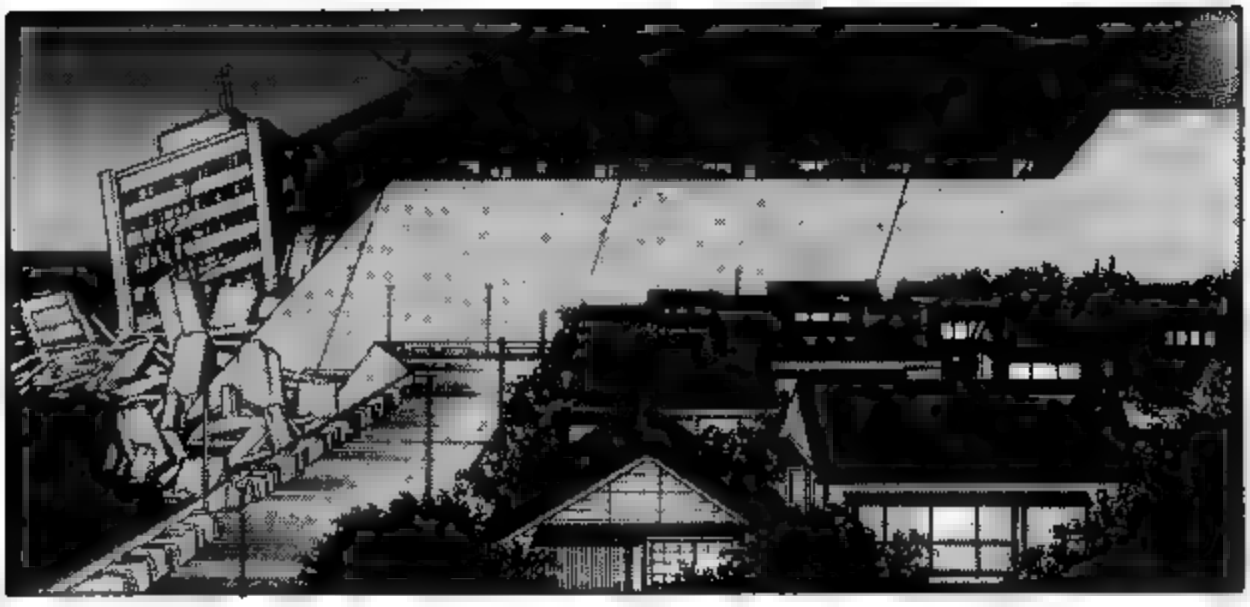
DON'T FOLLOW ME!!

KIYOMI!
RUN!!

SPLASH

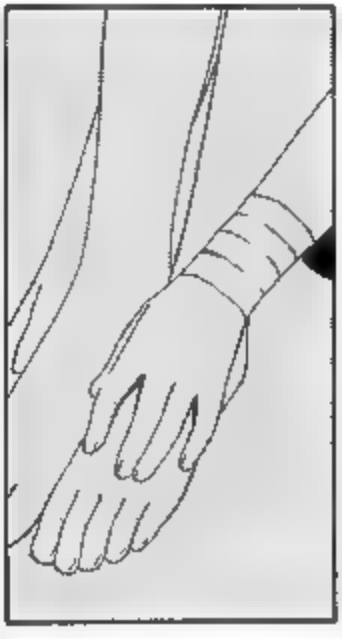
... HUH?

CHOKE
It's... a Kaijin.
SCRAPE!
Rumi...
Ru ...mi.



IT SEEMS SHE REPELLED A KAJIN.

I'M CERTAIN.
YES THAT'S CORRECT.



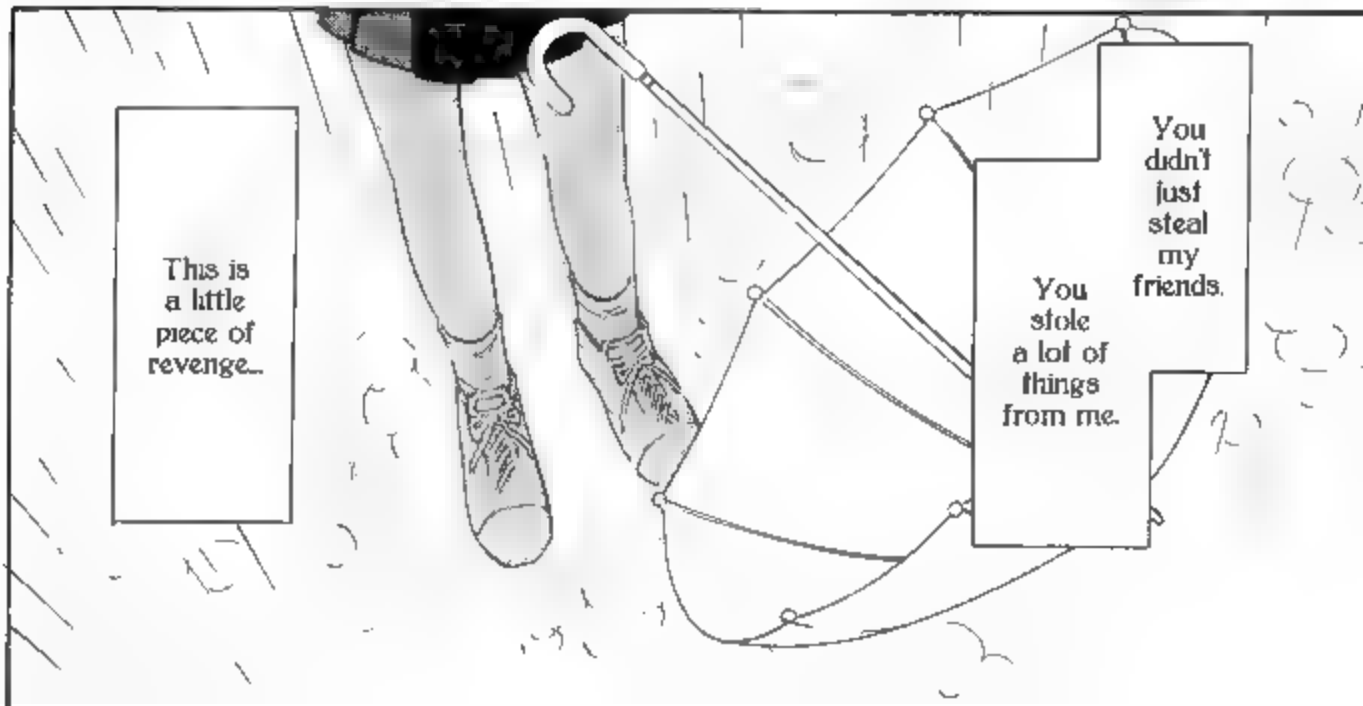
I THINK WE CAN SAFELY CONCLUDE THAT RUMI HAS FULLY MATURED

WE CAN IMPLEMENT OUR PLAN NOW ..
AND FINALLY... TAKE BACK OUR WATERS!

ssssshhhhh
Its been three days since I was attacked by the Kaijin—..
I havent gone back to school yet.
I havent seen Rumi either
I bet shes having lots of fun with her friends right now.
!
Without me...

NO,
UM. .
WHAT IS IT? IF YOU'RE LOOKING FOR RUMI, SHE ISN'T HERE RIGHT NOW
OKA-MOTO?
SO YOU SAW A KAIJIN?
WHAT WAS IT LIKE?
UHH-HHH...
JUST A MINUTE.
. . . .!
rummage rummage
What in the world does she see in him?
What? He's really getting on my nerves..

rustle
rustle
. . . .?
It's Rumi. She just got home.


This is a little piece of revenge...
You stole a lot of things from me.
You didn't just steal my friends.

OKAMOTO . HOW LONG ARE YOU GOING TO STAY HERE?
YOU CAN GO HOME.
HUH?
WHAT'S UP WITH YOU...? I DON'T GET YOU AT ALL
....

WHY?
Rumi loved that pendant. It was so precious to her.....

LOOK. . RUMI ASKED ME
TO GIVE THIS TO YOU .....

I GUESS BECAUSE SHE WANTED TO KNOW MORE ABOUT YOU?
WHY?

.... . WHY?

SHE... WAS ALWAYS ASKING ME STUFF ABOUT YOU,
SINCE YOU AND I WERE CHILDHOOD FRIENDS
. .. .

WHY...?
YOU'RE REALLY THICK.

HEY! WHERE ARE YOU GOING?!
THE ALARM IS SOUNDING!
SMACK

RUMI'S EYES ARE BLUE, Y'KNOW?
THERE'S A RUMOR GOING AROUND

THAT SHE MIGHT BE AN ALIEN...

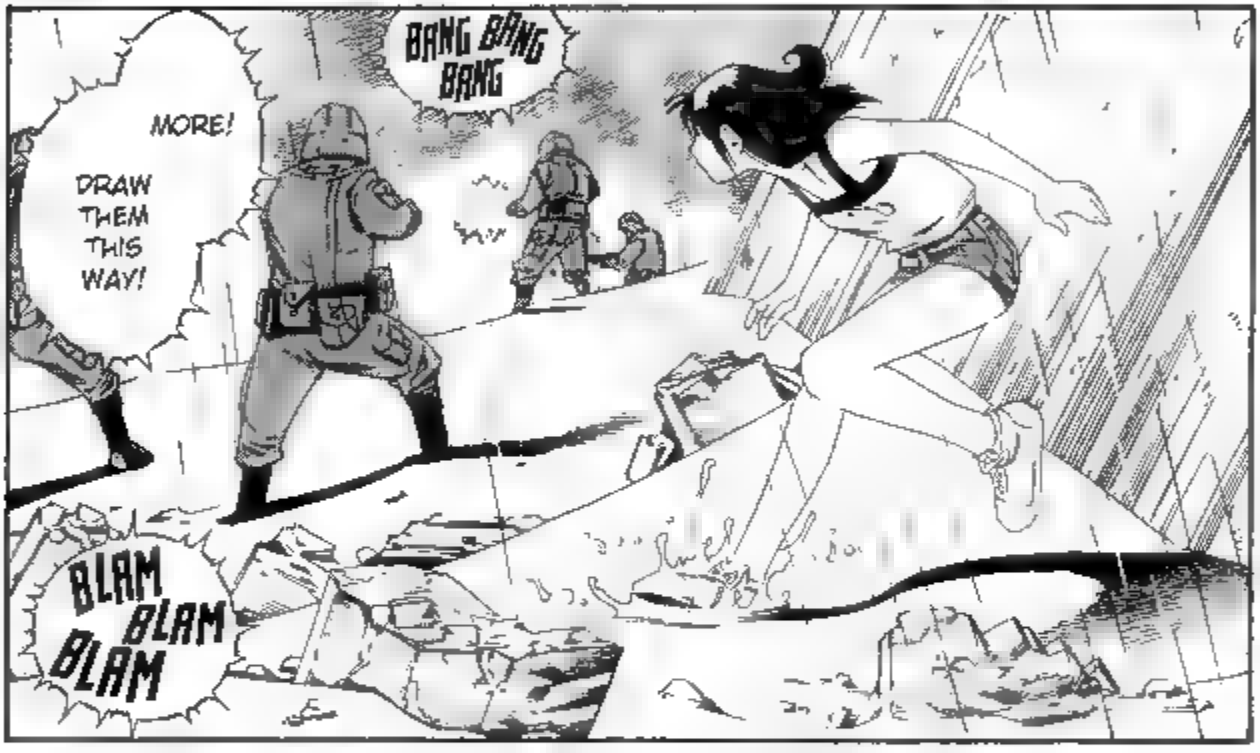
MMM.

roll
MMM...

AND. . DID YOU HEAR THE NEWS THAT THE NUMBER OF KAIJIN HAS BEEN GOING DOWN LATELY?
I HEARD... THEY'RE USING KIDS TO GET RID OF THEM.

DID YOU KNOW THAT THERE ARE ONLY GIRL ALIENS?
THEY REPRODUCE WITHOUT GUYS.....

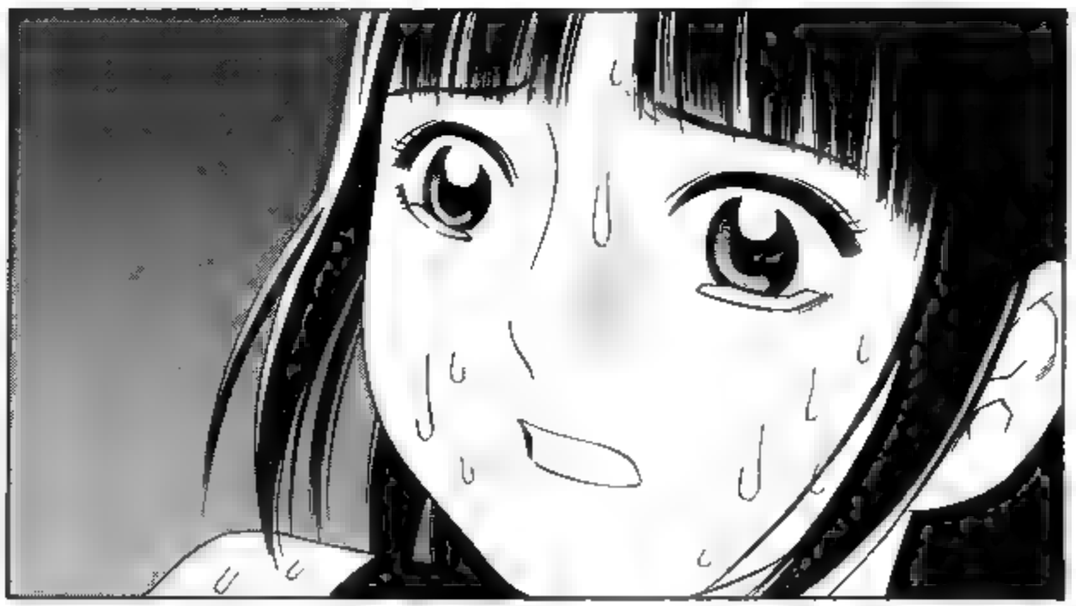
YOUR DAD'S CONNECTED TO THE MILITARY, RIGHT?
MAYBE. .

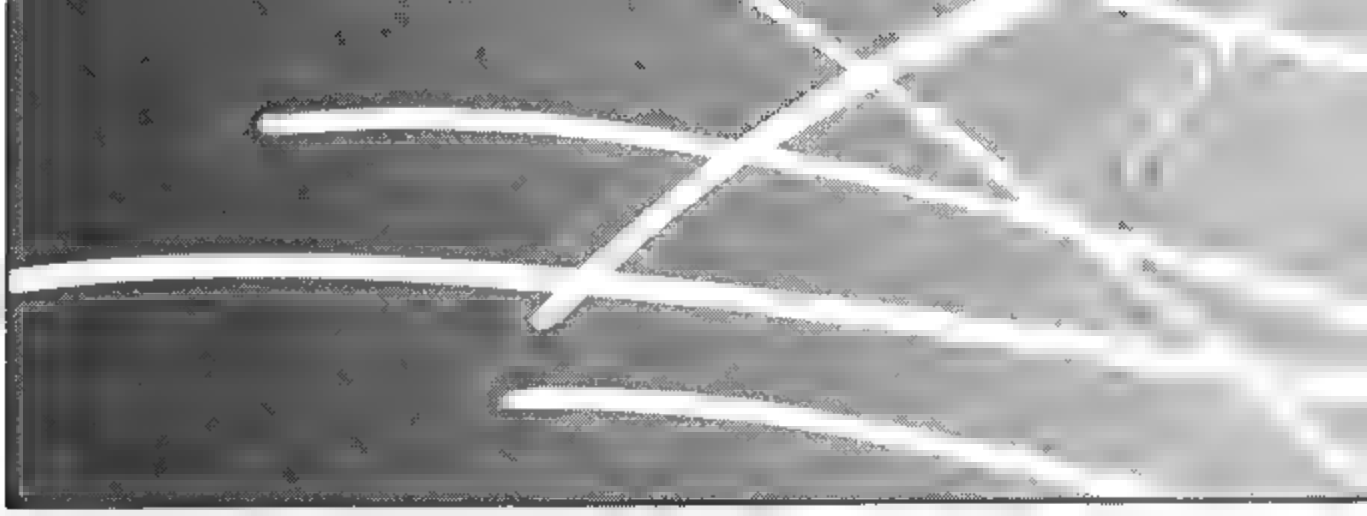

BANG BANG BANG
MORE!
DRAW THEM THIS WAY!
BLAM BLAM BLAM

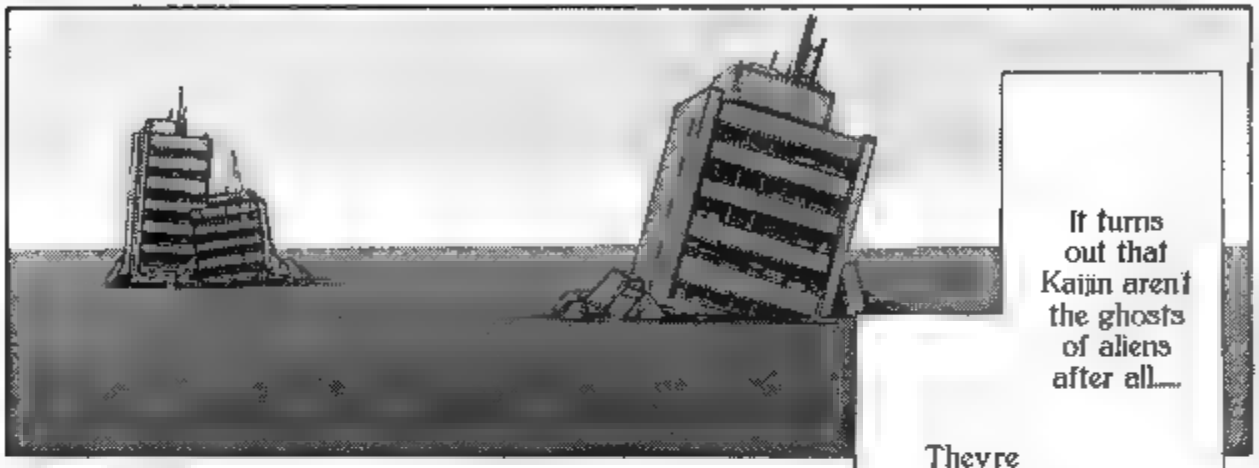
RUMI-!!!!!!!!

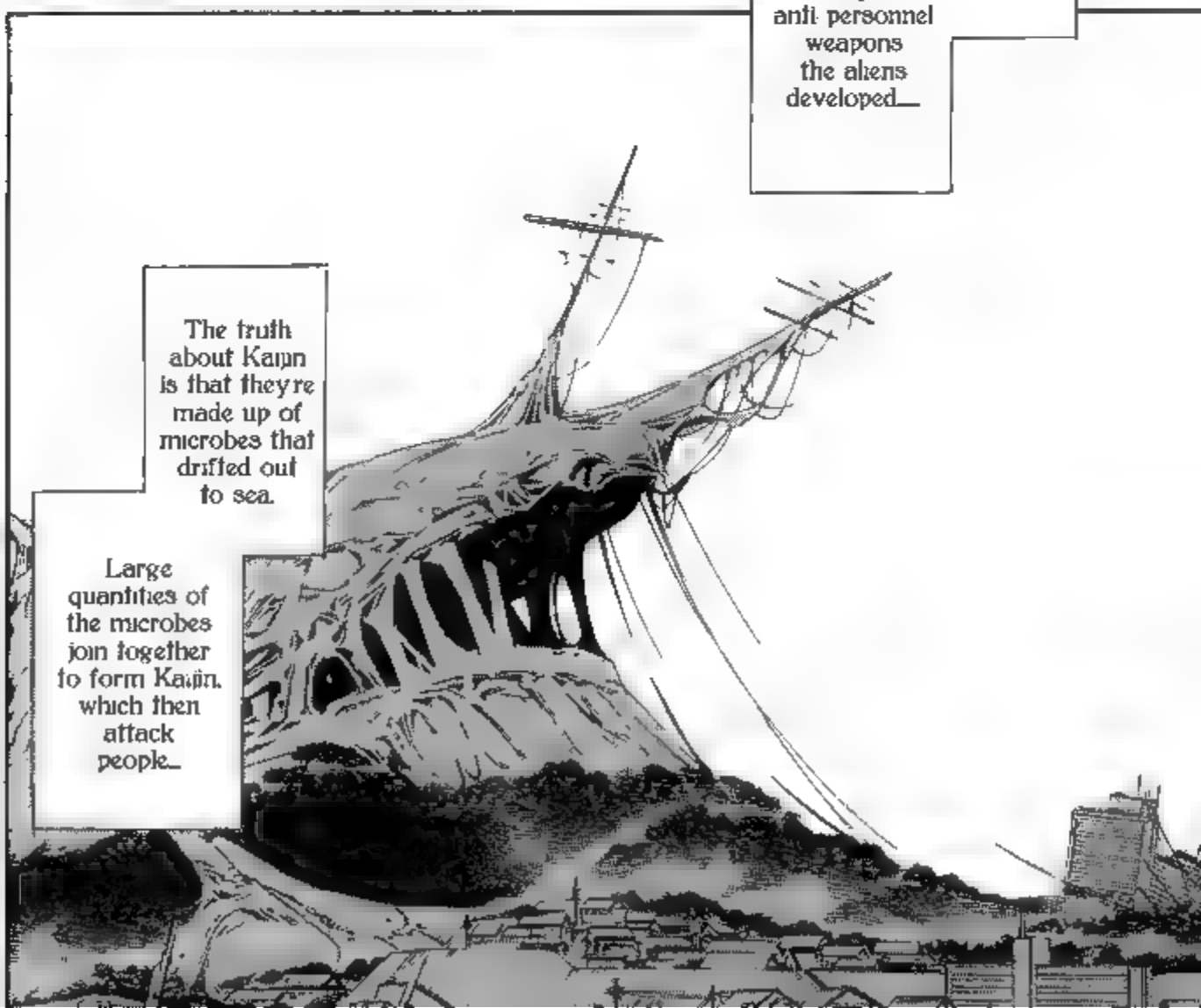
RUMI .?

HEY! DON'T COME THIS WAY!

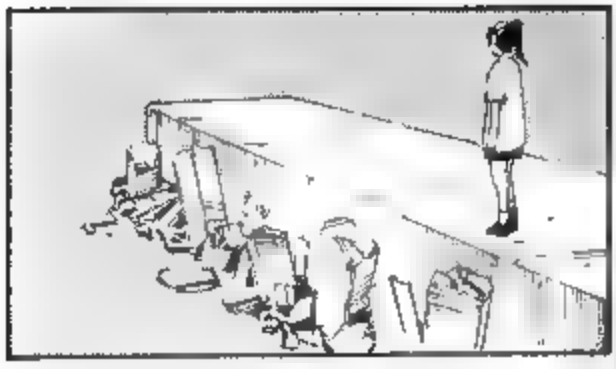


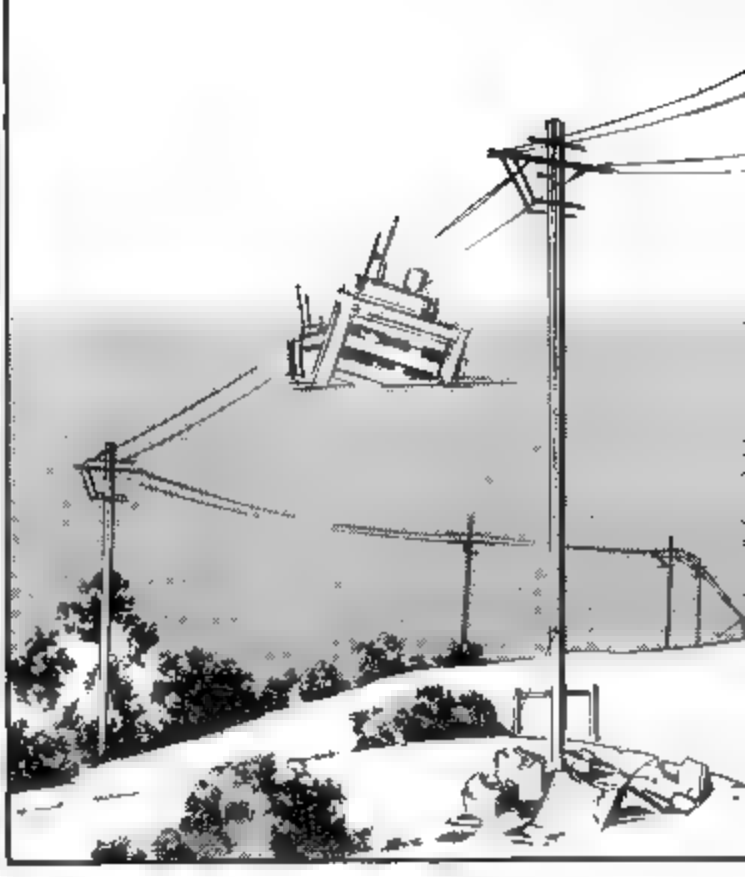



It turns out that Kaijin aren't the ghosts of aliens after all....
They're anti personnel weapons the aliens developed....


The truth about Kaijin is that they're made up of microbes that drifted out to sea.
Large quantities of the microbes join together to form Kaijin, which then attack people...

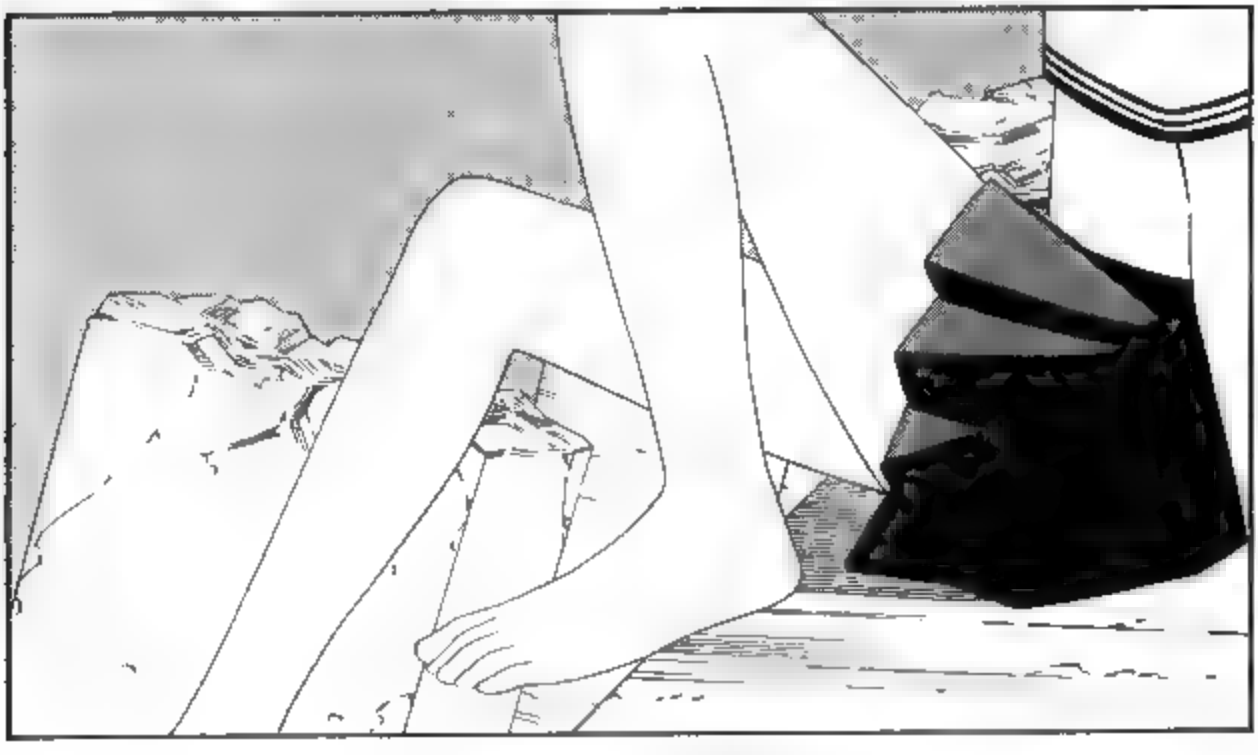
Rumi was one of the people involved in that project.
She was a synthetic human being the aliens created to use the vaccine on.....
After the war ended... a vaccine was developed, with the aliens help, to annihilate the microbes.
I found that out three years after every thing happened...

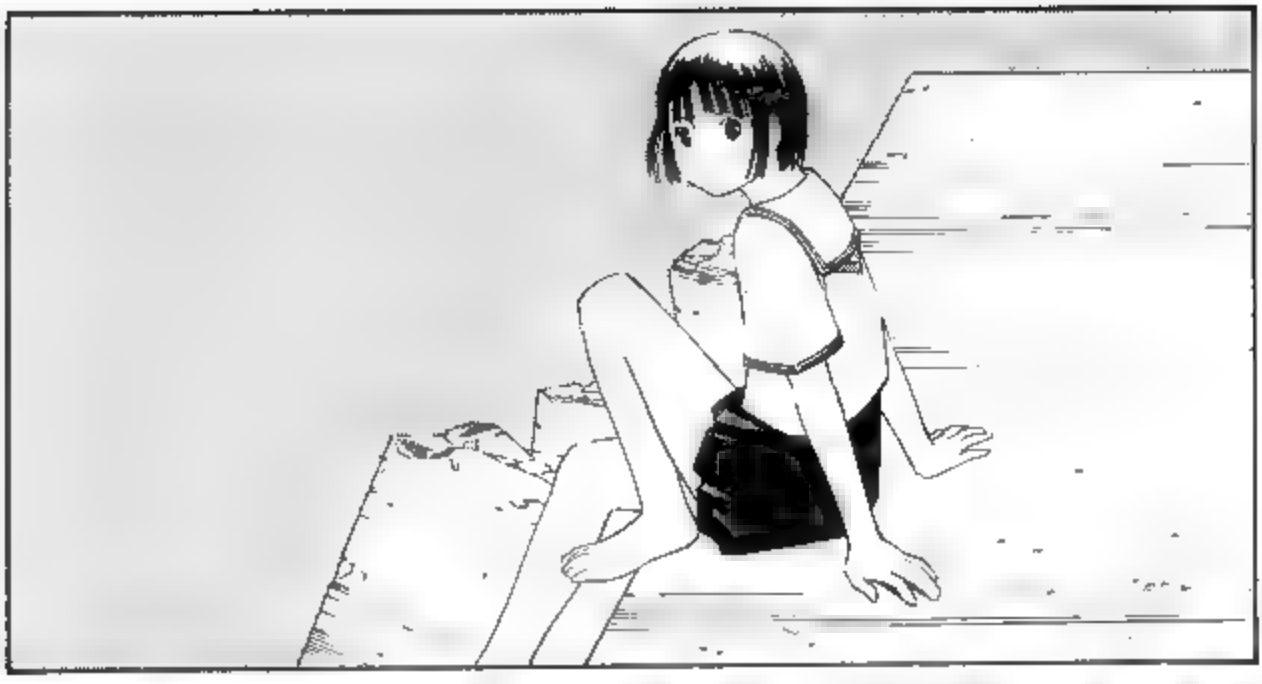




LET'S HAVE A PARTY TO CELEBRATE .
RUMI .
WE MET FIVE YEARS AGO, ON THIS DAY . . ..

... . !





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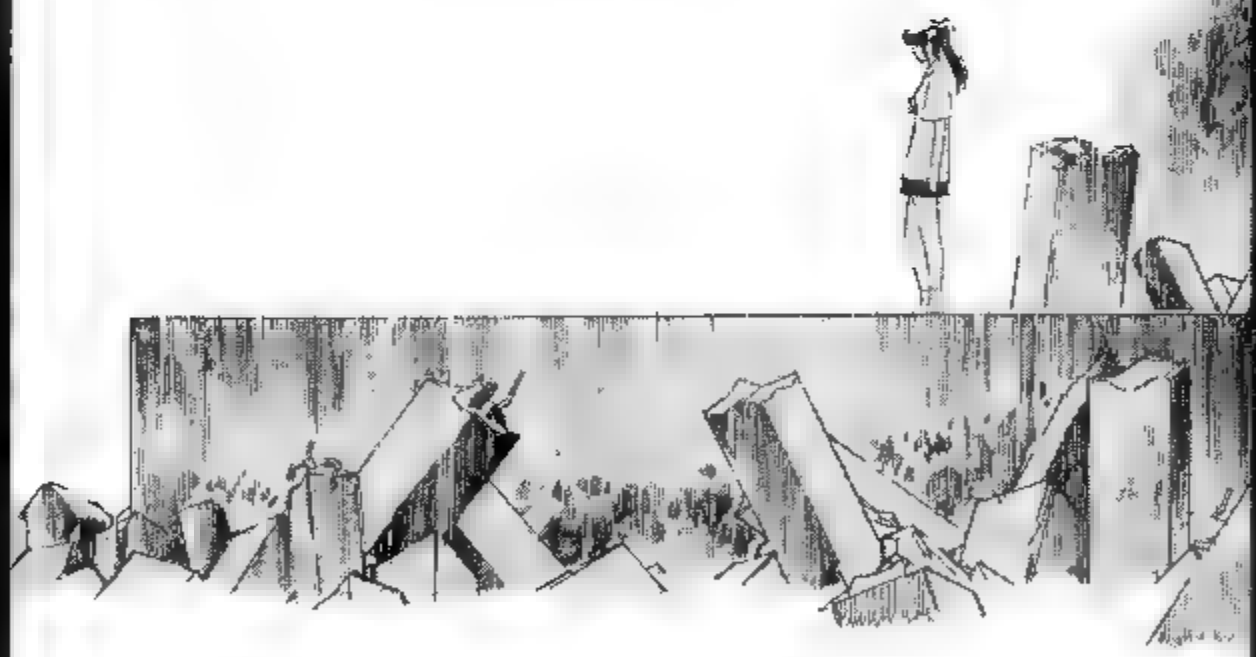
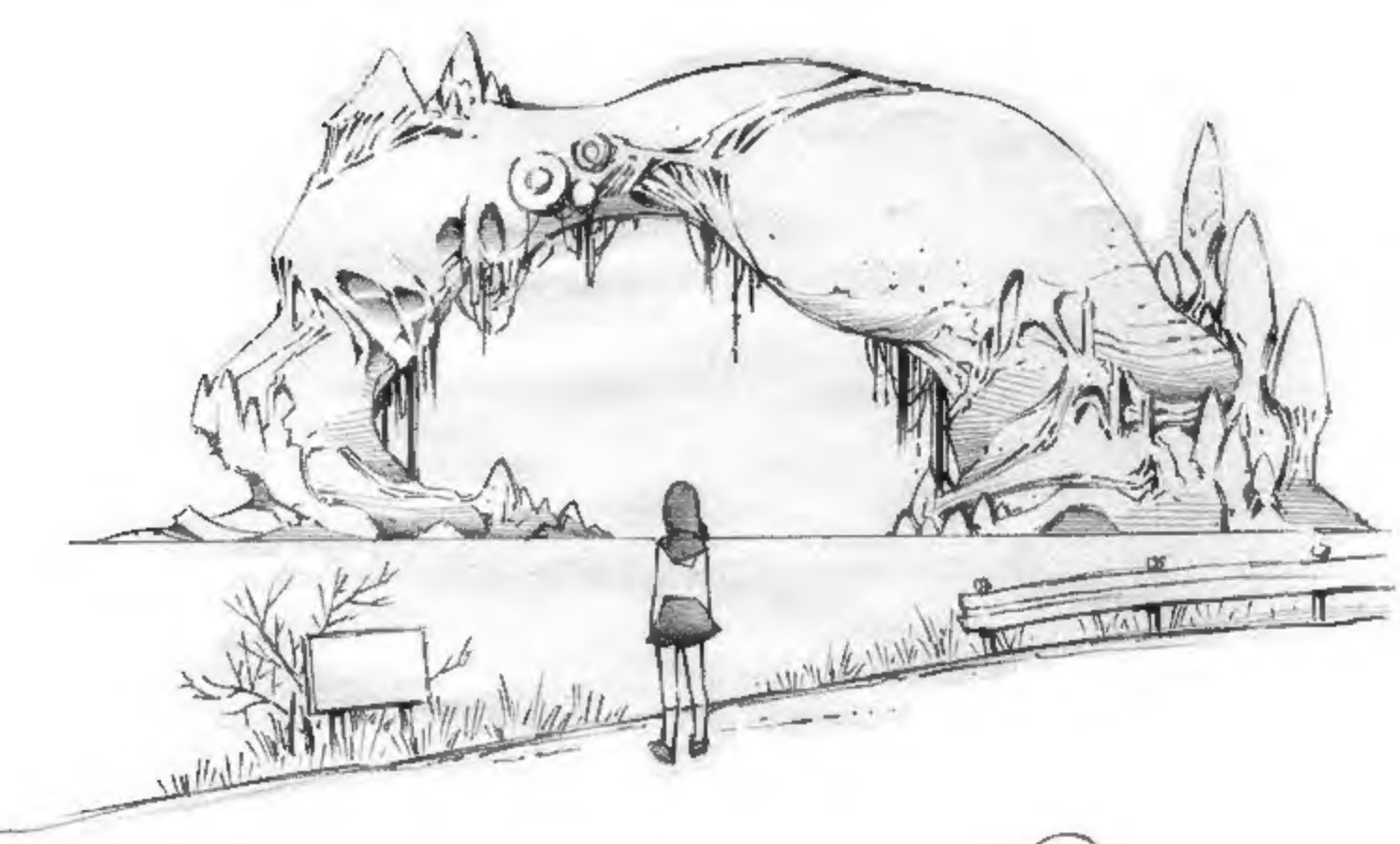
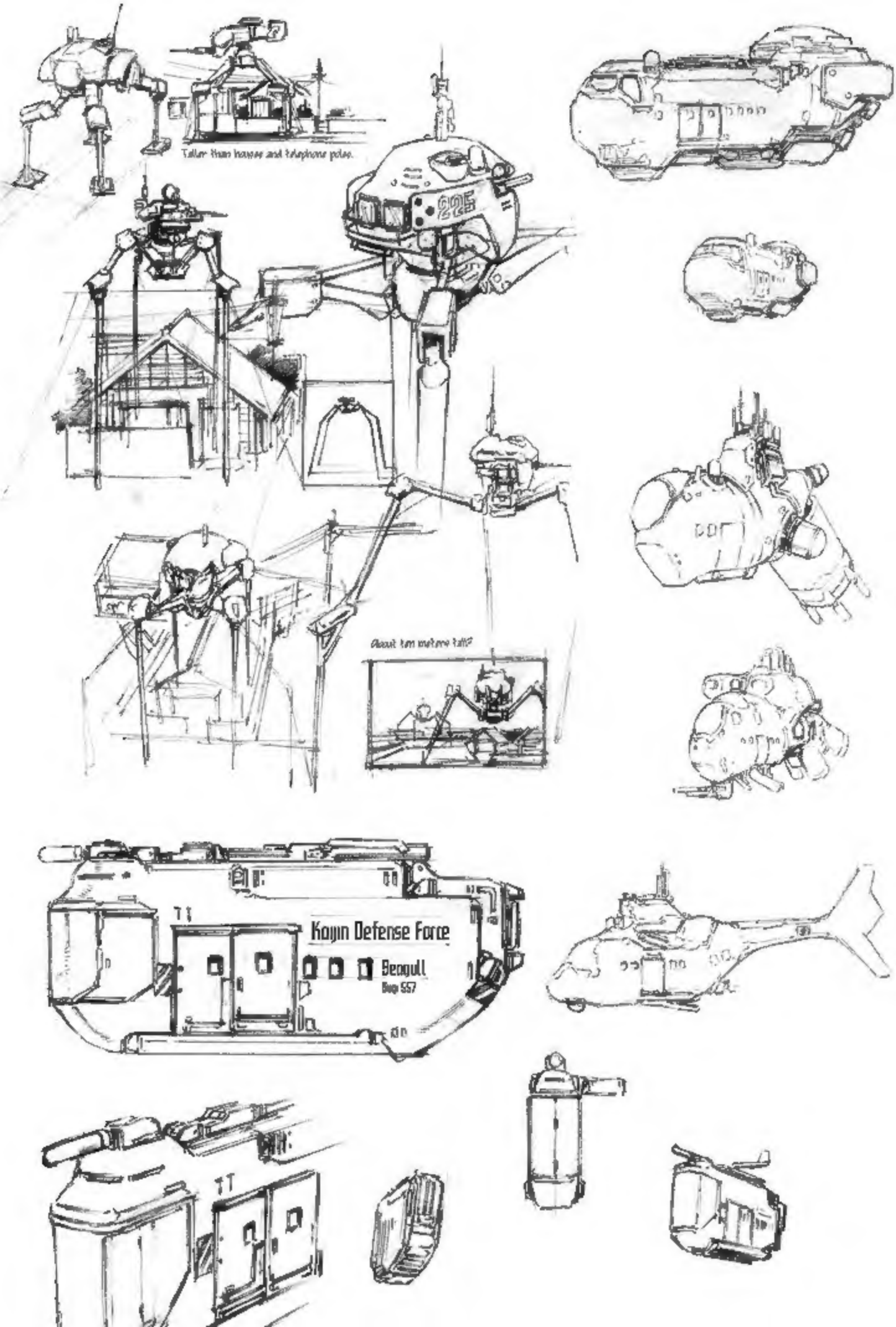
The day we met

was a rainy day just like this one...

Ssssssshhhhhh






Taller than houses and telephone poles.
About ten meters tall?
Koyin Defense Force
Seagull
Dwg 557

Blue Drop
~Kaijin~

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